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To: CYNTHIA KRATZ From: DOUG LINDEY

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DEPOSIT ACCOUNT BRANCH- 703-305-4631

REFUNDS BRANCH-703-305-4229

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OUR FAX NUMBERS:

703-308-6778 (Deposit Acct. Branch/Status & Entity Branch)

703-308-5077 (Refunds)

Lindsey, Doug

From: Lindsey, Doug
Sent: Wednesday, May 25, 2005 5:49 PM
To: 'helencarter65@hotmail.com'
Cc: Kurtz, Jon; Lebron, Francisco; Kratz, Cynthia; Kuendel, Jeanette; Lee, Matthew
Subject: \$ 585 cashiers check - check # 0229978 - application 10506800



10506800
 returned \$ 585 mo..

Heleen, the USPTO Office of Finance has the original \$ 585.00 money order (check # 0229978) on hand. The money order was never cashed.

Please provide by e-mail to my attention an address to where the USPTO Office of Finance can return the original money order to the purchaser so that the purchaser can expedite having the institution that issued the money order stop payment and return the funds to him.

The \$ 585.00 money order was processed by USPTO on our accounting date 09/13/2004. Our bank, Wachovia, returned the money order uncashed stating that it was "...not in U.S. dollars". ... The USPTO Office of Finance did not have an address to contact the customer when the money order was returned (a correspondence address has since been added to PALM), did not attempt to redeposit the money order with Citibank Delaware (the bank who processes our foreign checks in U.S. dollars) and did not follow up on this matter after the fact. Because of these facts, the USPTO Office of Finance's Refund Department has waved any fee that may be associated with the "returned money order" to USPTO.

If the applicant intends to pursue the patent application, application # 10506800 which is now listed as abandon in PALM, they should contact Cynthia Kratz to see what steps need to be taken. Note that Cynthia will be out of the Office until next Wednesday.

We apologize for any inconvenience this matter may have caused you or the applicant and I can only suggest that an alternative method of payment in U.S. dollars be used in the future.

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-----Original Message-----

From: Kurtz, Jon
Sent: Wednesday, May 25, 2005 3:12 PM
To: Lindsey, Doug; Lebron, Francisco
Subject: FW: cashiers check

Here is the email...
 jon kurtz

-----Original Message-----

From: heleen carter [mailto:helencarter65@hotmail.com]
Sent: Wednesday, May 25, 2005 2:00 PM
To: Kurtz, Jon
Subject: RE: cashiers check

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Hello Jon, your response is greatly appreciated. I have previously been in contact with Cynthia Kratz about this, but it appears she might have gone on holiday and she mentioned last week that there was a time limit on dealing with the issue, which is as follows:

My partner, Flavio Marin Hernandez, submitted all the paperwork and his cheque to yourselves for (I believe) the US National Process of patenting his product. Although the paperwork was in order, the cheque apparently 'bounced'. The stage I was at with Cynthia, was where she was attempting to find a contact in the finance department to elaborate further on what exactly had gone wrong with the cheque. It was in fact a cashier's cheque, purchased from HSBC here in Guadalajara, and as such cannot have 'bounced' in the insufficiency of funds sense, since it was prepaid by Flavio at the time of purchase at the bank. He has been to the bank to investigate further, and they have told him that he needs either a) the cheque itself or b) a fax of same, in order for the stamp on it (specifying the reason for its refusal) to be assessed. Cynthia was also attempting to assist us with locating where exactly the cheque was, as Flavio has not received it back. Therefore, in short; the papers, we understand, were in order, and the procedure would have been carried forward without any problem, if it hadn't been for the issue with the cheque, the exact nature of which we're still trying to ascertain. Could you help in clarifying the matter for us, or, alternatively, put me in contact with someone who can? I'm acting for Flavio in this, as he does not speak English.

Cynthia furthermore explained to me when we spoke last week that there was an alternative process which we could pursue, leaving aside the issue with the cheque, but Flavio decided he wished to take this course if possible. I was given your name and number this morning as someone who might be in a position to assist with issues of this nature. Many thanks for anything you're able to do, Helen Carter.

>From: "Kurtz, Jon" <Jon.Kurtz@USPTO.GOV>
>To: <helenecarter65@hotmail.com>
>CC: "Kratz, Cynthia" <Cynthia.Kratz@USPTO.GOV>
>Subject: cashiers check
>Date: Wed, 25 May 2005 13:23:57 -0400

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>Hello Helen,
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> You called me today, on 5/25/05,
>and indicated you needed to speak to me
>about a cashiers check purchases in Mexico,
>that had not been accepted at the
>uspto scifar.

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>
>Jon Kurtz
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Lindsey, Doug**Subject:** 10506800 - returned \$ 585 money order

10/506,800

—Original Message—

From: Lindsey, Doug
Sent: Monday, May 23, 2005 4:34 PM
To: Kratz, Cynthia; Beavers, Kelly
CC: Parish, Karen; Kuendel, Jeanette; Ton, Thao
Subject: 10506800 returned \$ 585 money order

reference Debit Voucher # 66104 09/17/2004 \$ 585.00

The \$ 585.00 money order was returned from Wachovia Bank as ... "not in U.S. dollars".... I have the original money order on my desk now which if nothing else I can return to the customer so he can redeem it.

Cynthia, please give me a call concerning this matter so that we can discuss options towards resolving this matter.

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—Original Message—

From: Kratz, Cynthia
Sent: Friday, May 20, 2005 9:21 AM
To: Lindsey, Doug; Beavers, Kelly
Subject: 10/506,800

Good Morning: I received a communication from Mexican applicant Flavio Valerio Marin in the above reference case. Apparently he attempted to pay the basic national fee (\$585) with a cashier's check obtained from HSBC in Mexico. However, we held the case abandoned for failure to pay this fee. I checked RAM and there is no indication that any fees were paid. Applicant faxed me a copy of what he says is the cashier's check (in Spanish).

Is there any way to check on this application's fees? What information would you need to do so? Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Cynthia M. Kratz
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PALMITRANET

Day : Tuesday

Date: 5/24/2005

Time: 16:24:07

Correspondence Address for 10/506800

Customer Number	Contact Information	Address
No Customer #	Telephone: (523)336-5690 Fax: (523)336-3663 E-Mail: No E-Mail Address	Flavio Valerio Marin Cerrada 8 No 2241-27 Residencial Patria Zapopan Jalisco 45150 MX MEXICO
App Info	Contents	Petition Info
Att/Agent Info	Community Data	Foreign Data
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Re: 10/506,800	CC:

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Please see communication from applicant (05 May 05). Note that applicant provided a receipt for cashier check indicating that he obtained a check for \$585 in US dollars.

Please contact Leonard Smith 571-272-3297 in my absence (returning 1 June 2005)

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